

providing fuel to said membrane during the regeneration period.

11. (New) A method according to claim 3, said method comprising the step of providing fuel to said membrane during the regeneration period.

12. (New) A method according to claim 2, said method further comprising the step of:

- monitoring the pressure across said membrane during the filtration period.

13. (New) A method according to claim 3, said method further comprising the step of:

- monitoring the pressure across said membrane during the filtration period.

14. (New) A method according to claim 4, said method further comprising the step of:

- monitoring the pressure across said membrane during the filtration period.

15. (New) A method according to claim 5, said method further comprising the step of:

- monitoring the pressure across said membrane during the filtration period.--

#### REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments to Claims 3, 4, and 6 and new Claims 9 through 15 be entered in order to avoid this application incurring a surcharge for the presence of one or more multiple dependent claims. A marked-up version of the claims showing the changes made is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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